

**TABLE 1-9--PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY DISABLING IMPAIRMENT OF TITLE II  
DISABLED WORKER BENEFICIARIES AWARDED BENEFITS  
IN SELECTED CALENDAR YEARS 1970-2011**

Diagnostic group	Year awarded benefits													
	1970	1975	1981	1985	1990	1995	2000	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Congenital anomalies	1.0	1.1	0.9	0.7	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	3.8	3.9	4.2	4.5	3.5	5.2	2.8	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.4
Infectious and parasitic diseases <sup>a</sup>	2.5	1.3	0.7	0.8	4.7	4.3	1.8	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0
Injuries	8.1	5.5	5.9	4.4	4.8	4.3	3.8	3.8	3.9	3.9	4.0	4.0	3.8	3.7
Mental disorders														
Total	11.0	11.4	10.3	18.2	22.5	22.9	23.4	24.2	23.2	22.8	22.8	22.3	21.3	19.2
Intellectual Disability <sup>b</sup>	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	2.6	2.9	2.6	2.5	2.3	2.2	2.4	1.8	1.4
Other	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	20.3	20.6	21.6	20.7	20.5	20.5	19.9	19.5	17.8
Neoplasms	10.3	10.1	16.0	14.6	14.1	10.0	10.4	10.1	10.3	10.1	9.6	9.3	9.0	9.2
Diseases of the—														
Blood and blood-forming organs	n.a.	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Circulatory system	31.1	29.9	24.4	19.3	15.7	12.9	12.3	10.9	10.7	10.8	10.5	10.3	10.2	10.6
Digestive system	2.6	3.0	2.1	1.5	1.6	1.7	2.1	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.3	2.3
Genitourinary system	0.8	1.0	1.8	0.9	2.2	1.9	2.4	2.2	2.3	2.4	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.1
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	14.9	18.7	16.7	13.0	15.9	21.9	25.2	27.6	28.2	29.0	30.0	31.2	32.5	33.8
Nervous system and sense organs	6.4	6.7	8.1	7.6	8.1	7.2	8.2	8.1	8.2	8.1	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.2
Respiratory system	6.9	6.7	6.1	5.4	4.7	4.5	4.3	4.1	4.1	4.0	3.9	3.9	4.0	4.1
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	n.a.	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Other	0.7	0.2	0.2	0.3	1.6	2.3	1.5	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Unknown <sup>c</sup>	n.a.	n.a.	1.9	8.4	n.a.	0.4	0.2	1.1	1.2	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.2	1.5

Notes: Data exclude closed period awards in 2002 and 2003 and expedited reinstatement cases since 2002.

Before 1995, diagnostic data for cases awarded at the appeals levels were estimated on the basis of the diagnosis of cases allowed at the initial disability determination level.

Effective 2001, the Social Security Administration initiated a special review of 130,000 Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients who are potentially eligible for Social Security disability benefits because of earnings while receiving SSI. Many of these claims awarded since 2001 were for individuals under the age of 35 who were diagnosed with a mental disorder.

a. AIDS and HIV records are counted in "Infectious and parasitic diseases." Before 1990, they were included in "Other."

b. Mental retardation (now referred to as intellectual disability) was not identified separately before 1995.

c. Beginning with 2002, several ill-defined impairment codes were reclassified and added to "Unknown."

Source: Social Security Administration, *2011 Annual Statistical Report on the Social Security Disability Insurance Program*, Table 40, available online at [http://www.socialsecurity.gov/policy/docs/statcomps/di\\_asr/2011/sect03c.html#table40](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/policy/docs/statcomps/di_asr/2011/sect03c.html#table40).

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